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Claims 1-31 are cancelled.

**32. A waste pulping apparatus comprising:**

**a tank for containing liquid and solids, the tank having an upper portion with a perimeter;**

**a frame for supporting the tank;**

**means for pulping the liquid and solids in the tank;**

**a shell having a lower portion with a perimeter;**

**wherein the upper portion of the tank and the lower portion of the shell are nested**

**defining a juncture between the tank and the shell at the perimeters;**

**a seal placed at the juncture for preventing the liquids from leaving the tank and for**

**minimizing the translation of vibration between the tank and the shell; and**

**at least one mounting bracket placed between the tank and the frame for mounting the**

**tank onto the frame while minimizing translation of vibration between the tank**

**and the frame.**

**33. A waste pulping apparatus according to claim 32, wherein the mounting bracket includes a bumper.**

**34. A waste pulping apparatus according to claim 32, wherein the bumper is made from neoprene rubber.**

**35. A waste pulping apparatus according to claim 32, wherein the lower portion of the shell is nested within the upper portion of the tank.**

Claims 36-44 are cancelled.

45. A waste pulping apparatus according to claim 41, wherein the means for pumping the slurry is a plurality of pumping vanes.